

Renton Library Advisory Board



Meeting Minutes City Hall, Council Conference Room March 19, 2014 ~ 5:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lynne King called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

In Attendance

Members: Lynne King, Catherine Ploue-Smith, Suzi Ure
City Staff: Terry Higashiyama, Peter Renner, Diane Wagner
KCLS Staff: Judith Zelter

Absent

Members: Laurie Beden, Erica Richey

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Suzi Ure, seconded by Catherine Ploue-Smith, to approve the agenda. All were in favor, motion carried, agenda approved as written.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Suzi Ure made a motion to approve February 2014 minutes, Catherine Ploue-Smith seconded. All were in favor, motion carried, minutes approved as written.

IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

V. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VI. CITY REPORT / Terry Higashiyama, Peter Renner

Peter Renner commented on temporary location for the Library over the Cedar River when it closes and said a few locations have been toured but nothing has been decided. He talked about the Archeological investigation at the site where all tribes have been invited to sample the location for possible finds, which will take place soon. He provided an update on the permitting process, which is about one week from finalization.

Peter also provided an update on the Highlands library and said permitting is moving along, the demolition should be complete in approximately two weeks, the electrical location has been settled with Puget Sound Energy / Potelco, and the finalization of the electrical plans continues.

Terry commented on the Historical Agreement and said they have a space setup at the 200 Mill building where two volunteers will be sifting through the collection, scanning and achieving accordingly.

The Board discussed the 2014 goal and action items and prioritized the list. The goals and items are listed below:

Center of Hope ~ Continued Support
Centennial Celebration
Marketing Campaign – “New” Libraries
New Library Progress Support & Celebration
Neighborhood Picnic Participation
Expanding collaborations with Renton School District
Meeting with Friends of Renton Libraries
Pacific Northwest Collection ~ Inventory, Sort, Inform
Renton River Days and other Special Events
Center of Hope Continued Support

VII. KCLS REPORT/JUDITH ZETLER

Rosalie Olds, King County Library Systems Teen Librarian, provided a Power Point presentation about the teen programs and services and what is involved in making it work. Main topics included the foundation, teen programming, outreach, teen involvement, homework assistance, and readers advisory. She talked about the strong collection of books, magazines, music, and other available resources.

Rosalie talked about the teen website “Teen Zone” which is all about having what they need and what they are looking for.

The site provides information on programming and resources, collections, job search, social services, writing, safe-places, Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) assistance and preparation classes, tutors, how to apply to college, adjusting into the adult world, book groups, video games, crafts, events, poetry reading, volunteering, homework assistance, and writing workshops, just to name a few. It was a very useful and enlightening presentation with a lot of good information.

Judith provided a few handouts with statistics and talked about programs and attendance. She shared photos from the Bollywood and Dr. Seuss Birthday programs and talked about story-time and school visits, the Salvation Army B.O.O.S.T. (Best Out Of School) Program, computer classes, which are well attended, and the different children’s, teens, and adult programs.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

The Board talked about the annual Council Report / Presentation which is now scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Lynne showed the group a draft of the presentation and talked about the contents. She will email the draft to the Board for review before finalization.

Lynne and Judith also talked about the Centennial celebration, scheduled for the weekend of May 3-4, 2014, with the main celebration centered on Sunday, May 4 from approximately 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., with light refreshments and possibly music.

IX. NEW BUSINESS – Lynne King

None.

X. INFORMATION

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Catherine Ploue-Smith and seconded by Suzi Ure to adjourn the March meeting. All were in favor, motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Signature

NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS

APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Renton City Hall

Seventh Floor, Council Conference Room

Telephone 425.430.6574



MAY MEETING

Wednesday, May 21, 2014, 5:30 p.m.

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